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In re application of:

Bing-Yan Zhu et al.

Application No.: 09/773,374

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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In response to the Office Action mailed April 5, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows. A petition for a three-month extension of time accompanies this response.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1-2, 5, 9, and 11 as follows:

(Amended) A compound of having the following formula: